

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1188
By Patton

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Reverend and Mrs. Ralph E. Sims on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as examples for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 1952, Reverend and Mrs. Ralph E. Sims were joined in holy matrimony in North Vernon, Indiana, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, the Sims's are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Sims retired as a minister, having served 13 years at a church in Cincinnati and at First Christian Church for 25 years; he also served as minister to senior citizens at the First Christian Church in Greeneville; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Sims is the former Dona Auerswald, and played piano at First Christian Preschool for many years; and

WHEREAS, they enjoy the love and support of their children, Sue Ellen Seaver and Peter Edwin Sims, and are also the proud grandparents of three grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Sims's represent the best and brightest of our society, as they remind us of the intrinsic value of continuity and commitment in this ever, changing world; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to honor and congratulate Reverend and Mrs. Ralph E. Sims on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.